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DETAILED ACTION

The Request for Continued Examination filed 9/15/2005 has been received, entered and carefully considered. The following information provided in the amendment affects the instant application:

1. Claims 1-29, 35 and 46 have been canceled.
2. Claims 30, 32, 36 and 47 have been amended.
3. Remarks drawn to rejections under double patenting.

Claims 30-34, 36-45 and 47-64 are pending in the case.

The text of those sections of Title 35, U. S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claim 59 recites the limitation "substance" in 31. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Conclusion

1. Claim 59 is rejected.
2. Claims 30-34, 36-45, 47-58 and 60-64, drawn to a starch that has greater than 85% amylopectin content, purity of at most 50 microgram amino acid nitrogen per gram of dry weight and having a molecular

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weight in the range of 100-4000 kDa and its microparticles as instantly claimed is neither taught or suggested by the prior art of record.


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ganapathy Krishnan whose telephone number is 571-272-0654.

The examiner can normally be reached on 8.30am-5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Shaojia A. Jiang can be reached on 571-272-0627. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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